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PATENT APPLICATION Attorney Docket No. GC775-2

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of		Group Art Unit: 1654
R. Fong and M. Heng		Examiner: Jeffrey E. Russel
Serial No.: 10/663,483		Confirmation No. 2423
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 28, 2006, please amend the application as indicated herein.

This response is considered timely and is being filed within the three-month shortened statutory time period set for reply of May 28, 2006.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-1048 (Docket No. GC775-2).